GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Infrastructure & Investment Department – Amaravati Drone Summit 2024 – Appointment of Drone Federation of India (DFI) as Event and Knowledge Partner for organizing the event "Amaravati Drone Summit 2024" on 22nd & 23rd October 2024 in Amaravati – Orders – Issued.

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INFRASTRUCTURE & INVESTMENT (AIRPORTS) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.83 Dated 14.10.2024.

Read the following: -

1. Min. of the Meeting of HCM's Review Meeting held on 6.08.2024 dated 15.08.2024.
2. Min. of the Meeting of HM MOCA Review Meeting held on 23.08.2024.
3. D.O.Lr.No.INI01-APFN/29/2024-AIR, Dt: 26/09/2024.
4. Virtual Meeting with the Sr.Economic Advisor, MoCA, dt: 09.10.2024.
5. AV-25028/7/2022-A-MoCA, Dated 30.08.2024.
6. AAI/CHQ/2024-25/APAC, Dated 06.09.2024.
7. Budget Proposal of DFI, Dated 02.10.2024.
8. Revised Budget Proposal of DFI, Dated: 09.10.2024.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh on 06.08.2024 emphasized the strategic importance of promoting drone Technology for problem solving across Departments and directed A.P. Drone Corporation (APDC) to take the lead in organizing a National-Level event.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Hon'ble Minister of Civil Aviation, in his review meeting, proposed that the Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) should extend technical guidance and support to the Government of A.P. for organizing a National Drone Conference. The Agenda would include the development of diverse applications for drones across sectors such as Agriculture, Health Care, Urban Planning and Law & Order as well as Research and Development, Manufacturing, Testing and policy creation.

3. In line with these directions, the APDC has proposed to organize a two-day national level drone conference tentatively named as "Amaravati Drone Summit 2024" on 22nd & 23rd October 2024 in Amaravati with guidance & support from the Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India.

4. The expected outcome of this conference include:
   a. Identification of Drone Use cases and their commercialization potential.
   b. Engagement with industry stakeholders, investors and academia.
   c. Formation of a roadmap to establish Drone City, including components.
   d. Exploration of collaborative opportunities with investors & Industry Experts.

5. Accordingly, the APDC has invited Drone Federation of India (DFI) to collaborate for organizing the proposed 2-day national level drone event in Amaravati. The DFI in turn has submitted their initial proposal for organizing the summit at a cost of Rs.6.37 crores (exclusive of GST) which includes costs for 2-day summit at CK Convention, Mangalagiri to host 500-600 delegates and guests across the industry and academia, along with cultural events at Berm Park, Vijayawada. Consequently, vide reference 3rd read above, MoCA was requested to sanction the proposed budget (expected after negotiations) of INR 6.00 Crores (exclusive of GST) as a Grant-in-aid to AP Drones Corporation Limited to facilitate the organization of the prestigious event. Later on a further site assessment, the DFI has submitted a revised proposal for an amount of INR 5.54 Crores (Exclusive of GST).

6. In view of the above, the MD, Drones Corporation has requested the Government to appoint Drone Federation of India (DFI) as the preferred event & Knowledge partner for Ministry of Civil Aviation, GOI in organizing national event Amaravati Drone Summit 2024 at a cost of INR 5.54 Crores (exclusive of GST).

7. Government, after careful examination, hereby appoint the Drone Federation of India (DFI) as the preferred event & Knowledge partner for organizing national event "Amaravati Drone Summit 2024" at a cost of Rupees 5.54 Crores (exclusive of GST).

8. The Managing Director, Drones Corporation Limited shall take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S. SURESH KUMAR
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Managing Director, Drones Corporation Ltd., Mangalagiri, Guntur.

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SECTION OFFICER